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REMARKS

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the thorough examination of the present application. Applicants would also like to thank the Examiner for correctly indicating as allowable the subject matter of dependent Claims 13, 18, 23, 27, 32 and 36.


The independent claims have been amended to include allowable subject matter to place the application in condition for allowance. Independent Claim 10 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from dependent Claim 13. Similarly, independent Claim 19 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from dependent Claim 27, and independent Claim 28 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from dependent Claim 32. Dependent Claims 13, 27 and 32 have been cancelled and other dependent claims have been amended for consistency.

In addition, new method Claims 37-44 are being added. New independent Claim 37 is based on original independent Claim 28 and the allowable subject matter from dependent Claim 36.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks provided herein, it is submitted that all the claims are patentable. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance is requested in due course. Should any minor informalities need to be addressed, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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